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Have a Safe Summer from the folks in OSY!

Summer Crime



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Summer time is right around the corner. School is ending for summer break and many are looking forward to travel and a little rest and relaxation. Crime rates during June, July and August increase an average of ten percent according to FBI statistics. Violent crimes such as murder are even higher

Criminals love the summer season. They love the summer months because people go out more for walks and drives, visit friends and family and take vacation trips.

While out and about, your homes and cars are left unprotected and you are much more likely to become a target for criminal predators. During the summer we are much more vulnerable to burglars, pickpockets, armed robbers, car thieves, carjackers, muggers and other street criminals. As you leave home for your vacation, relax and enjoy yourself, but don't forget as you enjoy the summer season to remember this safety message: be prepared at all times and take every step necessary to avoid being a victim of crime.

So during this summer, take precautions for your personal security. Lock those doors and windows, install burglar alarms on the home and car, and always be alert and aware of your surroundings. Never leave car windows down while at work.

And the advice is.....

Not surprisingly, the general advice is a usual one. Think before you inform the world about personal data (your whereabouts in this case).

- Everyone does not need to know that you are on vacation and/or where.
- When you are away from home, close and lock your entry doors and windows. Arrange for a neighbor to park in your driveway while you are away.
- Do not make it easy for the burglar! Make certain even if you're just running for a quick trip or working outside that you do not leave your doors unlocked or visibly opened.
- Gardening tools, lawnmowers, other yard tools, ladders..all tend to be stolen more in warm weather months. Make certain you lock them up in the garage, shed, etc.
- Personal belongings left unattended in your vehicle, with windows left down, while parked at work or at other recreational venues can be very easy and quick to steal.

